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Subject: RE: LWG F&T Modeling Report - Correct Attribution for the AFT Model

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Eric Thanks, both for the credit and trying to correct the record here. I'd just like to avoid being part of LWG's excuse loop ("Bruce Hope made us do it!) for why all this modeling doesn't work. Bruce

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Model

We will take care of this Bruce. I know that you have stated on more than one occasion that the model is "EPA's" model not "Bruce Hope's" model. In our dialogue with the LWG we have tried to make this distinction. We will make sure that future iterations of the model documentation reflect this. Please be aware that this is the first write-up of the hybrid model and our comments on the write-up will be our first opportunity to provide comments. I hope you also realize that we appreciate your help on the modeling effort (the credit part) and that we have no intention of blaming you for any shortcomings of the model.

Thanks, Eric

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Hi -

Karen Tarnow kindly shared with me a copy of the July 2007 draft report on the transport & fate modeling efforts being undertaken by the LWG. In glancing through it, I was amused to find my name scattered liberally about certain sections, mostly to the effect that the AFT is "Bruce Hope's" model. However, any amusement has now faded and I feel compelled to point out that the AFT was never and is not "my" model and that trying to associate me with the present AFT confers no advantages. I developed an early version as a demonstration project for U.S. EPA (where the intent was to support the FS, not the RI) but once it passed to EPA/Parametrix for modification to fit into the hybrid framework, I had nothing more to do with it. So I would ask that you modify any subsequent drafts of this report to reflect this, as I would not want to receive blame or credit for something with which I wasn't involved.

Thanks.

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